The group logs more miles than any of the nation's other medical air transport teams, traveling more than 500,000 miles and transporting more than 1,700 patients each year.

Currently, four specialized groups make up the AirMed team. They represent University Medical Center's Newborn Intensive Care Center, labor and delivery, the transplant service and various adult care services including the Burn Center, Spinal Cord Injury Center, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation center and Cerebrovascular and Coronary Care units.

The AirMed system also serves the state's Primary Children's Medical Center, Holy Cross Hospital, Utah Valley Hospital and McKay-Dee Hospital Center.

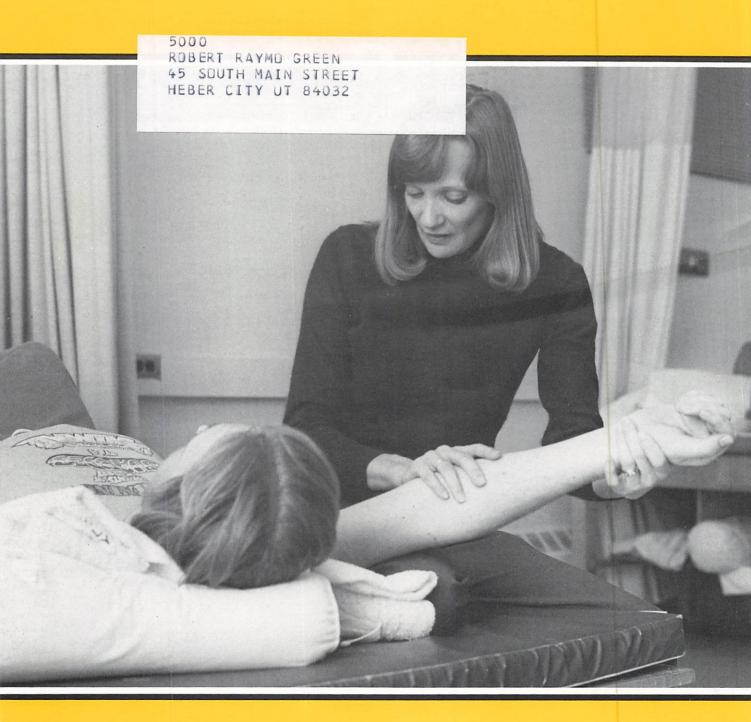


AirMed's new Bell 222-B UT helicopter, a "flying emergency room," can accommodate two patients and three medical team members as well as the pilot.





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Curtail Vehicles Following

Emergency Units

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was submitted to the editor with no name or address. It is the policy that the paper not print any letters unless they are signed, with a rural address. In this case the point was well taken and we decided that it would be good to print it.

Dear Editor:

What is our first thought when the shrill whistle of an emergency vehicle is heard? You naturally wonder what has happened.

Many is the time I've seen twice as many cars on Main Street following the unmistakable call of the emergency siren. I fully understand that curiosity is our human nature. I also believe the citizens of Wasatch County are caring and concerned people. However, the traffic and crowds at the scene of a fire or accident can and have hindered the swift arrival of the trained professionals who are called to the emergency scene.

Thus, causing lost precious time in helping a seriously injured victim of an auto accident or saving the home and valued possessions of any one of our fellow citizens.

Our Police Department i promptly at the scene of a emergency. However in m opinion, both City and Count divisions of our law enforcement as well as the elected an appointed leaders of our commun ity should discuss and enforce way to affectively reduce traffic a the scene of an emergency. No only for the prompt arrival of th emergency vehicle, but also for the safety of the citizen who mus appease his/her curiosity. Poss ibly by issuing tickets or by usin officers to detour traffic away from the scene to allow our fir department or EMT's to mor efficiently carry out their role of helping the victim.

I vervently urge the citizens of this county to realize the need for rapid and unhindered response t an emergency scene and obey th laws of this state by not followin an emergency vehicle to satisf their curiosity. What if you wer the victim and help was delayed b a person who was chasing after th

emergency sirens.

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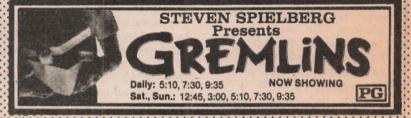


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